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[REDACTED] was urgently asked to a meeting on 12 November 1948 which was attended by [REDACTED], a Conservative representative, [REDACTED], a Conservative senator, and [REDACTED], a Conservative representative and a member of the Conservative Directorate of Cundinamarca. At this meeting [REDACTED] was questioned at length about the militant organization that he was forming. He described the difficulties he had encountered and took the opportunity to complain about the lack of cooperation on the part of the Cundinamarca Directorate.

2. The Conservative leaders showed considerable alarm at this discouraging report. [REDACTED] stated that he had received reports regarding the possibility of serious trouble on 15 December 1948 and asked that 3,000 Conservatives be alerted in Bogota to forestall any attempts that might be made to remove President Mariano Ospina Perez from office. [REDACTED] refused to mobilize such a force until he was provided with specific details concerning the coup. [REDACTED] replied that he had heard from an extremely reliable source that there was a great deal of discontent within the Army and that various officers have been meeting recently to discuss the political situation and steps they should take. [REDACTED] said that he was endeavoring to secure precise details concerning the impending plot and that he would inform [REDACTED] of them in the near future, upon the latter's return from Neiva.

25X1A6a Comment. Although the enlisted personnel and officers of the Colombian Army have held several meetings, investigation has proved that they covered legitimate problems and were not of a political nature.)

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